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MEMORANDUM



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TO: File
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SUBJECT: Ohio/R05-8601-5A/OH0525
Middlebranch/SME Cement Co.
OHD021148630

A site inspection of the above named facility was conducted on August 12, 1986 by FIT. SME Cement Company produces portland cement. No CERCLA regulated hazardous waste is generated or stored at the facility.

The facility was brought to the attention of the U.S. EPA based on two incidents of transformer oil, containing PCB's, being released. The first incident occurred when a forklift punctured a transformer. Approximately 30 gallons of PCB tainted oil spilled onto a cement floor. A dike was made around the spill using cement dust. More of the dust was used to soak up the spill. Everything was deposited in a 55 gallon drum and CECOS was contracted for the disposal.

The U.S. EPA Bureau of Criminal Investigation looked into the incident and considers the case closed. Because the spill occurred and was contained on a cement floor, the containment for the oil is zero.

The second incident occurred during the inspection by the Bureau of Criminal Investigation. During the inspection, oil was noted seeping one from of the transformers containing PCB's. No oil had reached the ground. Meyers Transformer Co. was called into refurbish and clean the transformer.

Because neither incident resulted in PCB contaminated oil contacting the ground (containment score in both cases would be zero) and the transformers were and still are in use and not stored as waste, the HRS score for this facility would be zero.

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